

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (original): A child harness that includes a child carrying pouch (13) which is positioned on the front side of the harness, so as to be supported on the chest side of the wearer, and that further includes two strap loops (10) which pass around respective shoulders of the wearer, wherein the loops (10) are mutually fastened by means of a fastener means (11) on the rear side of the harness, characterised in that the strap (14) of each loop (10) has a longitudinally extending thickened edge (15) on the mutually adjacent edges of the loops on the rear side of the harness; and in that the fastener means (11) has along each of two opposite edges (110) an undercut groove (112) which slidably receives a respective edge thickening of the adjacent strap loops, therewith allowing the fastener means (11) to slide along the straps of the loops (10).

Claim 2 (original): A child harness according to Claim 1, characterised in that the grooved edges (110) of the fastener means are curved in the plane of the fastener means (11) such as to provide mutually opposite curvatures, wherein the concave sides of the curved edges face away from each other, and wherein the longitudinally extending openings of the grooves face away from each other.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A child harness according to Claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterised in that the fastener means (11) is curved between its grooved edges (110) and has its concave side facing towards the wearer so as not to clamp against the wearer's spine.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A child harness according to Claim 1 ~~any one of Claims 1-3~~ characterised in that the strap loops (10)

are connected together at their lower parts on the front side of the harness.

Claim 5 (original): A child harness according to Claim 4, characterised in that each strap loop carries a size adjusting element (18) on the rear side of the harness beneath the fastener means (11); and in that a strap end (18) extends down forwardly from the size adjusting element (19).

Claim 6 (currently amended): A child harness according to Claim 1 ~~any one of Claims 1—5~~, characterised by a waist belt (40) connected to the lower parts of the strap loops.

Claim 7 (original): A child harness according to Claim 6, characterised in that a back piece (47) connects the fastener means (11) to the waist belt (40) such as to limit the distance of said means (11) from the waist belt (40) in an upward direction.

Claim 8 (original): A child harness according to Claim 7, characterised in that the back piece includes a length portion of the waist belt and is connected to a respective end portion (41) of said belt (40) via an adjuster (42) for adjusting the loop size of the belt (40).

Claim 9 (currently amended): A child harness according to Claim 1 ~~any one of Claims 1—8~~, characterised in that the strap loops and the ends of the waist belt connect to respective mutually connectable coupling elements (20).

Claim 10 (original): A child harness according to Claim 9, characterised in that the coupling elements (20) can be connected to each other indirectly via a further coupling element (30) which carries a lower part of a front piece (13) whose upper laterally

orientated parts carry a fitting (131) for releasable connection to a respective fastener (17) on the front side of the strap loops (10).

Claim 11 (currently amended): A child harness according to Claim 7 ~~—or—~~8, characterised in that the back piece is flexible and includes a spring (48) which strives to counteract a reduction in the greatest distance between the waist belt (40) and the fastener means (11) as defined by the back piece.